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## UTAH'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: JUNE 2008

**Salt Lake City** – Utah's nonfarm wage and salaried job growth for June 2008, as compared with June 2007 employment, is estimated at 0.9 percent. Approximately 11,500 new jobs have been created in the Utah economy over the past year, raising total wage and salary employment to 1,272,400. May's employment growth was revised down from 1.4 percent to 1.3 percent.

Utah's other primary indicator of current labor market conditions, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, measured 3.2 percent in June. This is equal to May's 3.2 percent measure, and five-tenths higher than last June's 2.7 percent. Approximately 44,800 Utahns were considered unemployed in June, compared against 36,400 last June. The United States' unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.5 percent.

An in-depth analysis of the monthly report is available on the DWS Website, [jobs.utah.gov](http://jobs.utah.gov). For more information, contact the department's Chief Economist, Mark Knold at 801-526-9458.

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